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Docket No.: 50432-234

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Minh Van NGO : Confirmation Number:  
Serial No.: 10/079,517 : Group Art Unit: 1742  
Filed: February 22, 2002 : Examiner: George P. Wyazomeirski  
For: METHOD OF FORMING NITRIDE CAPPED CU LINES WITH IMPROVED  
ADHESION AND REDUCED ELECTROMIGRATION ALONG THE CU/NITRIDE  
INTERFACE

**RESPONSE TO TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION FROM EXAMINER**

Mail Stop Non-Fee  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On November 24, 2003 Examiner Wyazomeirski telephoned advising that he was prepared to allow the application, but requested a new Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 with the language "the redacted date was prior to June 5, 2001" included in paragraph 3, penultimate sentence, of the previously submitted Declaration accompanying the Amendment submitted November 7, 2003.

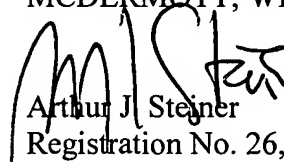
Submitted herewith is a new Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.131 including the language requested by the Examiner. Accordingly, for reasons expressed in the Amendment submitted November 7, 2003, all pending claims are in condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, respectfully solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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